



ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Athens

GREECE

15 TO 21 SEPTEMBER 2024

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Athens

GREECE

Athens, the historical capital of Europe, is located in Central Greece on the Attica Peninsula. The Greater Athens area features the longest coastline of any European capital, offering several beaches just 20 minutes from the historic centre.

With a recorded history dating back around 3,400 years, it is known as the birthplace of democracy, arts, science and philosophy of the western civilisation. Even today we reflect on the teaching of such Athenian greats as Plato and Socrates and Aristotle who also studied there.

The Mediterranean climate means September is still relatively warm, with an average temperature of 19-29 degrees Celsius with little or no rain. September also falls outside the peak tourist season of May – August and before the season ends in mid-October, meaning it is the ideal time to visit.

Athens is a gateway to so many pre or post conference travel extensions, with more than 6,000 islands and islets scattered in the nearby Greek Seas, not many of these uninhabited. The Cycladic Islands are some of the most famous, Mykonos and Santorini just to name two! Also on the historical doorstep of Greece is Türkiye, steeped in its own cultural and natural beauties.

Hotel

DIVANI PALACE ACROPOLIS

Divani Palace Acropolis is an iconic hotel showcasing the best of Athens. Just metres away from the world-famous Acropolis, this is the perfect place to savour Athens' fascinating history.

A fusion of timeless elegance and contemporary quality, unique details can be discovered in every corner, starting from the hotel basement that includes part of the ancient city walls. You will find it a great base to explore Athens while we conference for the week. Just a short walk to the famous old town of Plaka and Constitution Square.

Rooms offer a private balcony, in-room safe, pillow menu and mini bar. The hotel offers a swimming pool, fitness centre, free wi-fi and a free shuttle to Syntagma Square and Glyfada shopping area.





Itinerary* 2024

SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

- ▶ Group transfers to the conference hotel available from Athens Airport. Pre conference tour group arrives at hotel.
- ▶ **7PM – 9PM** Welcome function: Enjoy a special introduction to historic Athens at our welcome function at the hotel.

MONDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

- ▶ Breakfast included.
- ▶ **8.15AM – 1PM** Conference sessions.
- ▶ **1PM – 2PM** Lunch included.
- ▶ **2PM – 7PM** Afternoon orientation tour.

During our orientation tour, we will see the Temple of Zeus which is separated from modern Athens by the tall stone structure, Hadrian's Arch. Passing many of the ancient sites, we make our way to the Acropolis. A comprehensive tour of the Parthenon reveals its splendour and timeless beauty. Our tour ends at the New Acropolis Museum which holds more than 4,000 ancient works, including some of the best surviving classical sculptures that once adorned the Acropolis. The new 21,00 sq m facility is one of the largest in Europe and houses the archaeological findings related to the Acropolis hill and the Parthenon.

TUESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER

- ▶ Breakfast included.
- ▶ **8.30AM – 1PM** Conference sessions.
- ▶ **1PM – 2PM** Own arrangements.
- ▶ **AFTERNOON** Optional tour: Greek Cooking Experience or Plaka and Monastiraki.

WEDNESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

- ▶ Breakfast included.
- ▶ **FULL DAY TOUR** Delphi is one of the most important and interesting archaeological sites in Greece. Sitting on the slopes of Mount Parnassus, Delphi boasts an amazing natural landscape and is home to the world-famous oracle of Delphi. In Ancient Greece, pilgrims from all over the Mediterranean would visit the oracle to receive the prophecies of the ancient Greek god Apollo. The prophecies were delivered by Apollo through the words of Pythia, the high priestess of his temple. According to the myth, Delphi is the navel of the Earth, meaning it is the central point of planet Earth. The Archaeological Museum of Delphi houses the extensive artifacts unearthed during excavations at the Delphi oracle and its vicinity. It is located adjacent to the archaeological site, and it is one of the must-see museums in Greece for the breadth and quality of artifacts it includes. The permanent exhibition covers over 1,000 years, from the Mycenaean era to the Greco Roman times.

THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

- ▶ Breakfast included.
- ▶ **8.30AM – 1PM** Conference sessions.
- ▶ **1PM – 2PM** Own arrangements.
- ▶ **AFTERNOON** Optional tour: Athens Riviera Sunset Cruise or Greek Cooking Experience.

FRIDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

- ▶ Breakfast included.
- ▶ **8.30AM – 1PM** Conference sessions.
- ▶ **1PM – 2PM** Own arrangements.
- ▶ **AFTERNOON** Optional tour: Poseidon Temple and Cape Sounion.
- ▶ **EVENING** Cultural farewell dinner.

SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER

- ▶ Breakfast included.
- ▶ Group transfers to the airport available.
- ▶ Post conference tour group departs.

*Itinerary subject to final confirmation and changes.





Pre/Post Conference* TOURS

OPTION 1 – PRE CONFERENCE

Cruising the Med

Greek Islands and Meteora – ship: Azamara Journey.
Contact Orbit World Travel for options with cabins.

- ▶ **DAY 1 – SAT 7 SEP Athens (Piraeus)**
Embark on a seven-night cruise of the Greek Islands.
- ▶ **DAY 2 – SUN 8 SEP Santorini**
Cruising into the port of Santorini, you will see the picture-perfect Greek Island – a rugged volcanic island with whitewashed houses, shining against the blue skies.
- ▶ **DAY 3 – MON 9 SEP Heraklion, Crete**
Today you will spend the day in historic Crete. Once home to the oldest European civilisation the island offers an impressive selection of archaeological sites and great museums.
- ▶ **DAY 4 – TUE 10 SEP Rhodes**
The island of Rhodes is steeped in medieval history from the time of the crusades when the Knights of St John took a stronghold over the island.
- ▶ **DAY 5 – WED 11 SEP Marmaris**
Venturing into Turkey, we visit the Turquoise Coast, sitting in a valley full of beautiful beaches and open-air restaurants with a pine-forested backdrop.
- ▶ **DAY 6 – THUR 12 SEP Kos**
The home of Hippocrates, universally recognised as the father of modern medicine.
- ▶ **DAY 7 – FRI 13 SEP Nafplio**
Located in the Peloponnese, it offers beauty and history, with a fairy tale castle just off the shoreline.
- ▶ **DAY 8 – SAT 14 SEP Athens**
Returning into Piraeus early in the morning, we will tour our way to Ancient Meteora. Translated, Meteora means 'raised from the ground, hanging, lofty'! Not only is the area a spectacular site for its geographical formations but also for the 24 original monasteries built up to 500 years ago. Six of these are still in operation. We will stay overnight before returning to Athens.
- ▶ **DAY 9 – SUN 15 SEP**
Return to Athens to join the conference.

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OPTION 2 – PRE OR POST CONFERENCE

Greek Island Hopping

The Greek Islands are made up of more than 6,000 individual islands and islets, broken up into 13 different regions, each with their own unique qualities. We can create an individual itinerary for you to experience their magic.

Contact Orbit World Travel for your personalised option.

Example itinerary:

- ▶ **DAY 1 – DAY 3 Crete**
Fly from Athens to Crete, the largest Greek island. Crete has mild weather, pristine beaches, hundreds of ancient sites and is a great blend of all Greece has to offer. Visit the Palace of Knossos, built more than 4,000 years ago as the cultural and spiritual hub of the Minoan Civilisation, and Chania with its Byzantine, Venetian and Greek cultural elements.
- ▶ **DAY 4 – DAY 6 Santorini**
Catch the fast ferry to Santorini, the picture-perfect Greek island - a rugged volcanic island with white-washed houses shining against the blue skies. Spend the days soaking in the sun, relaxing or visiting traditional villages.
- ▶ **DAY 6 – DAY 8 Paros**
Catch the fast ferry to Paros and its sun-drenched hilltop historic villages, bougainvillea-covered laneways and open-air restaurants. Finish the day with a beautiful, seemingly endless marmalade-coloured sunset.
Return by air to Athens.



OPTION 3 – POST CONFERENCE

Türkiye

7 DAY OPTION

▶ DAY 1 – SAT 21 SEP Istanbul

Unwind and enjoy a relaxing first day and join a cruise on the Bosphorus for dinner.

▶ DAY 2 – SUN 22 SEP Istanbul

Our first taste of the exciting city of Istanbul includes the Blue Mosque, the former church/museum-turned mosque Hagia Sophia, and Topkapi Palace. Next, we'll make our way to the Grand Bazaar, the biggest indoor market in the world.

▶ DAY 3 – MON 23 SEP Gallipoli and Canakkale

We'll set out early for the Gallipoli peninsula to visit the historical battlefields that have been transformed into a national park. Pay your respects at the memorial dedicated to the Australian, New Zealand and Ottoman forces who fought and died here and explore the Kabatepe War Museum.

▶ DAY 4 – TUE 24 SEP Canakkale

Canakkale was famously featured in the movie Troy. Snap a photo of the wooden Trojan Horse before exploring the Museum of Troy's unique and fascinating artifacts. Continue on to the ancient city of Troy to learn about its UNESCO World Heritage Site status.

▶ DAY 5 – WED 25 SEP Sirince

We head to the Ephesus region of Türkiye, arriving in Selcuk for lunch. Ephesus, the former capital of Roman Asia, was once the second largest city in the world. Its ancient ruins include an impressive theatre, library, and gymnasium. We will also visit the Temple of Artemis and the House of the Virgin Mary, and stay overnight in Sirince, a charming local village known for its homemade wine.

▶ DAY 6 – THUR 26 SEP Pamukkale

After breakfast, we will depart for Pamukkale and its spectacular natural white terraces that resemble castle-like cascades. Next, we visit the Hierapolis Ancient City, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here, we'll explore fascinating Roman ruins and visit the museum.

▶ DAY 7 – FRI 27 SEP Istanbul or continue to Konya

After breakfast, those doing the 7-day tour will be taken to the airport for their domestic flight back to Istanbul. Those doing the 10-day will continue.

EXTENSION: 10 DAY

▶ DAY 7 – FRI 27 SEP Konya

After a five-hour journey, we will have lunch in Konya and explore the city centre for the rest of the afternoon.

▶ DAY 8 – SAT 28 SEP Cappadocia

Explore the sights of Rumi including the Tomb of Mevlana and Museum, followed by the Alaaddin Mosque. On our way to Cappadocia, we will stop at Agzikarahan, one of the last remaining Caravanserais along the old Silk Road in Türkiye. It provided a haven for merchants, travelers, and their goods, offering protection and accommodation.

▶ DAY 9 – SUN 29 SEP Cappadocia

During our first day in Cappadocia, we will explore Pigeon Valley, Love Valley, the Underground City, the Goreme Esentepe Panorama, and a delicious Turkish lunch.

OPTIONAL: Hot Air Balloon Tour.

▶ DAY 10 – MON 30 SEP Istanbul

Discover the other half of Cappadocia, including the Open Air Museum, the Three Beauties, and the charming villages of Avanos and Cavusin. This region is renowned for stunning valleys such as the Monks Valley and the Devrent Valley. Return to Istanbul in the evening or explore other options in Türkiye.

Turkey adopted its official name, Türkiye Cumhuriyeti in 2021.

OPTION 4 – PRE OR POST CONFERENCE

Dubai Stopover Experience

Experience your Arabian Adventure in Dubai with a 3-night stopover. From its architecture to its shopping, there is something for everyone. Enjoy an exciting 4WD dune drive and camel ride to the heart of the pristine Desert Conservation Reserve for a falconry display and overnight in a deluxe Bedouin camp with your private deck to watch the sunset. Sit back and savour the dinner and some star gazing.

Bespoke OPTIONS

Once you are in Europe the options for pre and post conference tours open up to unlimited possibilities. Contact us to discuss your ideas and receive experienced and trusted advice:

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Land PACKAGE

\$4,570*

LAND PACKAGE PRICE PER PERSON – TWIN SHARE

\$6,140*

LAND PACKAGE PRICE PER PERSON – SINGLE

Contact Orbit World Travel for a selection of airfare choices.
Note: these costs exclude airfares, registration fees, travel insurance, pre and post conference arrangements, any optional additions and any incidental items not listed.

THE DELEGATE PACKAGE INCLUDES**

- ▶ Six (6) nights' accommodation (twin share) Divani Palace Acropolis, Athens
- ▶ Buffet breakfast daily
- ▶ Four (4) half-day conference sessions, including morning tea
- ▶ One (1) conference lunch
- ▶ Welcome function with entertainment, including food and beverages
- ▶ Tour – half day orientation tour of Athens
- ▶ Tour – full day tour to Delphi including lunch
- ▶ Farewell dinner with transfers, meal, beverages and entertainment
- ▶ Transfers – return group transfers on day, day 1 and 7 between the airport and hotel.

* Due to varied delegate departure points, airfares are not included. They can be added in and personalised to your requirements by Orbit World Travel.

** Subject to change.



Registration FEES

Registration fees for the 2024 AMA Queensland Annual Conference are shown below and early-bird rates are available until 4 February 2024.

CATEGORY	EARLY-BIRD PRICE Ends 4 February 2024	REGULAR PRICE
Doctor – AMA member	\$770	\$935
Doctor – non-AMA member	\$1,595	\$1,815
Doctor in training	\$330	\$385
Associate conference participant [^]	\$470	\$530
Non-conference participant [†]	\$230	\$305
Child	\$120	\$140

[^] Associate conference participant includes: practice managers, registered nurses, industry professionals, other professionals.

[†] Non-conference participant includes: life partners, family members, friends who do not fit within other registration categories.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS

Your reservation will be confirmed in writing upon receipt of the Registration Form and deposit of \$950 per person. Final payment is required by 26 June 2024.

BOOKING AMENDMENTS

No fees will be charged for changes made prior to final payment. Once final payment has been received, changes to airline reservations are subject to particular airline rules and conditions but a minimum fee of \$100 per ticket will apply. Changes to other components of this package will be on request basis and applicable fees will be advised at that time. Once tickets have been issued, name changes are treated as a cancellation by many airlines, the fee will be on application and will vary based on the airline. Please ensure the booking name matches the passport details exactly.

CANCELLATIONS

Travel insurance is essential and should be requested at the time of registration. Subject to policy conditions, travel insurance will cover cancellation due to unforeseen reasons. Notification of cancellation to Orbit World Travel must be received in writing before any action can be taken. Cancellation of travel package: Cancellation prior to final payment date – loss of deposit; cancellation up to 45 days prior to departure – 50%; cancellation within 45 days of departure – no refund.

PASSPORTS, VISAS

For those travelling on an Australian, New Zealand and UK passports no visa is required for travel to Greece. Please ensure your passport has at least six months validity beyond your intended period of stay and has 2 full blank adjacent pages. This is the responsibility of the traveller. It is essential that delegates check visa requirements for other destinations and passport types with Orbit World Travel.

PRICE CHANGES

The Orbit World Travel Conference package is quoted in Australian dollars and is based on exchange rate at August 2023. The package price is subject to change due to influences outside Orbit World Travel's control, such as (but not limited to) currency fluctuation, airport taxes, government charges and airline fuel surcharges. Orbit World Travel is a fully accredited member of peak industry bodies IATA and ATAS, and an Associate member of the CT Partners group of companies. These memberships provide our customers surety around our trading practices, standards and consumer protection.

ITINERARY AND SCHEDULES

Although no changes are anticipated, this itinerary may be altered or modified as required without notice or liability of change. Orbit World Travel acting in the capacity of an Agent and cannot be held responsible for the services of operators included in this package.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

If you do not purchase the land package listed by Orbit World Travel, there is a surcharge of \$1,000 per person to cover the costs of running an international conference. You will also not have access to the welcome function or farewell dinner. We highly recommend talking to Orbit World Travel about travel requests such as apartments for families so your package includes all social functions and included tours. Flights can be booked with or without Orbit World Travel, however, they do get group discounts. Contact Orbit World Travel for a personalised travel quote.

PRIVACY

Your details are kept confidential and will not be provided to any other source.

PANDEMIC POLICY

During such times as COVID-19 or any other future event where unexpected border closures and travel restrictions may occur, changes may have to apply. Policies like this are outside the control of Orbit World Travel, AMA Queensland and the travel providers. Should there be a travel restriction/ban or should the conference planning committee have concerns over the heightened risk to its members, a decision may be made to alter or cancel this conference. Should a complete cancellation of the conference occur due to any such unforeseen policy we commit to refunding delegates any funds that are received back from suppliers. Should an alternative new travel date be arranged by the conference planning committee your payment will be transferred automatically. Alternatively, standard cancellation fees will apply.

Conference REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION TYPES:

- A – DOCTOR (AMA MEMBER)
- B – DOCTOR (NON-AMA MEMBER)
- C – DOCTOR IN TRAINING
- D – ASSOCIATE CONFERENCE PARTICIPANT
- E – NON-CONFERENCE DELEGATE
- F – CHILD

Please note that names must match your passport exactly for accurate ticketing.⁺
Please provide a copy of your current passport.

MAIN DELEGATE 1: Registration type: _____ Title: _____ First name: _____
Middle name (all): _____ Surname: _____
Preferred name on name tag: _____ Nationality: _____
Postal address: _____
Suburb: _____ State: _____ Post code: _____
Phone (Home): _____ Phone (Business): _____
Mobile: _____ Email: _____
Tax invoice made out to: _____
Special dietary/medical requirements: _____
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DELEGATE 2: Registration type: _____ Title: _____ First name: _____
Middle name (all): _____ Surname: _____
Preferred name on name tag: _____ Nationality: _____
Postal address: _____
Suburb: _____ State: _____ Post code: _____
Phone (Home): _____ Phone (Business): _____
Mobile: _____ Email: _____
Tax invoice made out to: _____
Special dietary/medical requirements: _____
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DELEGATE/FAMILY 3: Registration type: _____ Title: _____ First name: _____
Middle name (all): _____ Surname: _____
Preferred name on name tag: _____ Nationality: _____
Postal address: _____
Suburb: _____ State: _____ Post code: _____
Phone (Home): _____ Phone (Business): _____
Mobile: _____ Email: _____
Tax invoice made out to: _____
Special dietary/medical requirements: _____
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DELEGATE/FAMILY 4: Registration type: _____ Title: _____ First name: _____
Middle name (all): _____ Surname: _____
Preferred name on name tag: _____ Nationality: _____
Postal address: _____
Suburb: _____ State: _____ Post code: _____
Phone (Home): _____ Phone (Business): _____
Mobile: _____ Email: _____
Tax invoice made out to: _____
Special dietary/medical requirements: _____
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FOR ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS, PLEASE SUPPLY SAME RELEVANT DETAILS

Note: If selecting family travel, an Orbit World Travel representative will contact you to discuss options directly.

⁺ Reissue fees will apply in the event that ticket details are amended subsequent to ticket issue.

Please see return details for this form overleaf.

